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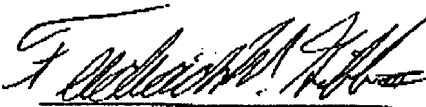
Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment dated July 28, 2003, Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a) that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn (MPEP § 7.11.03(c)), and that the application proceed to issuance. Applicants provide herewith a copy of the date-stamped Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission which indicates that the RCE was timely filed on January 7, 2003, which is before the due date of February 7, 2003. Also submitted herewith is a copy of the RCE transmittal.

Please charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Attorney's Deposit Account Number 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,

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